Membrane contamination prevention in separationconcentration process

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AB In sepn.-concn. processes using reverse-osmosis or ultrafiltration membranes, the liq. to be treated is fed as a gas-

liq. mixed flow to the surface of the
membrane. This decreases the membrane

contamination. Thus, aq. 0.5% albumin soln. was passed through a reverse osmosis membrane app. under gas blowing. The aq. soln. feed rate and the gas blowing were controlled at 450 and 15 L/h, resp. The water permeation rate through the membrane was 1.05 and 0.8 m3/m2 day initially and after 4 h, resp.